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GENEALOGY OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO,
BRANCH OF THE GILMOUR - GILMORE FAMILY,
NEW HAMPSHIRE LINE.

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Member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She attended many of the Gilmore Family Reunions, and furnished the Compiler of this Genealogy with Much Needed Information.

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"One generation comes, another goes and
mingles with the dust,
And thus we come and go, and come and go,
Each for a moment filling up
Some little place, and thus we disappear
In quick succession, and it shall be so,
Till Time in one vast perpetuity
Be swallowed up."

(Author unknown)

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND AND ORIGIN OF THE SURNAME

The so-called "Scots-Irish" or "Ulster Scots," as some genealogists prefer designating them, were descendants of the Scots settlers into Ulster, Ireland, and the terms were used in order to differentiate them from those who came to America directly from Scotland.

In compiling a genealogy of the Scots-Irish Presbyterians, one must go back for many years previous to their mass emigration to America and other countries and find out what caused such wholesale migrations.

James I (1603-25) of England, soon after he came to the throne, confiscated many estates of the rebellious Roman Catholic Irish in Ulster, Ireland, and started resettlement about 1603, making special effort to obtain Protestants from the central part of Scotland. A large colony emigrated from Argylshire, Scotland, in 1612, with the County of Londonderry, Ireland, as their chief seat of colonization.

The descendants of these colonizers had many hardships and disappointments, due to the bitter hatred between them and the Roman Catholic Irish. On top of this was the civil wars, pestilence, troubles over high rents, crop failures, and generally bad economic conditions. They held their land and tenements by lease only from the crown, and not as proprietors of the land.

During the reigns of Elizabeth I (1558-1603) and James I (1603-25), various Acts of Parliament were passed regulating the religious affairs of the kingdom, which met with fierce resistence by large sections of the population of all classes in Scotland and England, and in reproach these resisters were called "Puritans," which term applied to the Scots-Irish who came to Londonderry, N.H.

The Scots-Presbyterians were dissenters from the Church of England, and were compelled to give up one-tenth of their income for the established religion. The Seceders of 1732 refused to register births, due to their dislike of the State Church. Few burials were registered on account of the Act of 1793, which required the imposition of a fine on every entry of burial.

The migrations of the Scots-Irish from Ulster, Ireland, commenced in 1718, and over two hundred thousand of them came to America, mostly through the ports of Boston, Charleston, New Castle, and Philadelphia. From 1771 to 1773, more than twenty-five thousand had arrived. They were not very well received by any of the inhabitants in America at thattime, and for many years they could not get along with the English settlers, who themselves had come over here to escape persecution. Today, many of the great men of America trace their descent back to these Scots-Irish immigrants who had such a hard time getting established here.

Just when the Gilmour-Gilmore ancestors emigrated from Scotland to Ulster, Ireland, is not known, but it was at an early date. As most of the records in Ireland were destroyed during the many civil wars, and record keeping in Scotland wasnt any too good at that time, probably no definite dates will ever be known. The vital records of Ulster, Ireland, at the time of the Protestant migration to America, are very meager, and in Coleraine, Londonderry County, Ireland, records begin with the year 1769.

It is known that the Gilmour-Gilmores were in Edinburghshire and other parts of Scotland before the year 1600. They possessed the Barony of Gilmour. The Castle of Craigmillar in Edinburgh, was purchased by Sir Thomas Gilmour, the great lawyer, and occupied by his descendants. Sir Simon Preston owned it from 1374 until about the time of the Revolution, when it came into possession of the Gilmours. The castle was often used as a royal residence. Here, John, Earl of Mar, younger brother of James III, was imprisoned in 1477, and gotten rid of by the King by having a vein opened so he bled to death. Queen Mary had also resided there many times. The Craigmillar line of Gilmours, it is understood, has died out and the title is now dormant. Most of the American Gilmores descended from those who emigrated to Ulster, Ireland. Those who settled in Londonderry, N. H. in April of 1719, were said to have arrived in Boston, Mass. on August 4, 1718, on the Brigantine ROBERT, under the command of James Ferguson. The immigrants of 1718 came largely from the Bann River Valley in Ulster, Ireland. The families of Ulster were closely allied.

In the Highlands of Scotland, when the clan system existed, until the abolition of the heritable jurisdiction in 1747, the Bards preserved the genealogies and traditions of their chiefs orally, with anaccount of the family traditions and achievements from generation to generation.

The introduction of surnames into Scotland dates from the reign of King Malcolm III (Canmore) (1057-1093), during the second half of the eleventh century. It wasnt until the nineteenth century, in Scotland, that wives adopted their husband's surname upon marriage, if they so desired. The custom came from England, and there wasnt any reason why a man should not assume his wife's surname on marriage, if he so desired.

The spelling of Scots names, and Scots heraldyy, is all governed by the Lord Lyon, King of Arms. It has been decreed that the correct Scots spelling of the surname is "Gilmour" and the correct Englishspelling "Gilmore."

The Gilmour-Gilmore surname, is of very ancient Scots origin, meaning "Great Servant," "Henchman of a Chief," or "Armour Bearer," so-called on account of their being stockily built and of more than average height. "Gilmore" is the Gaelic form of "Morrison" (Mac-Gille-Mhoire). The Gilmores became a Sept of the Morrison clan for the most part, which is said to be of Scandinavian extraction. The Gilmores of this Sept would wear the Morrison tartan.

Some other Gilmores in Scotland became a Sept. of Clan MacDonald of Glengarry and this branch of MacDonald's derived from Archibald, second son of John, 7th Lord of the Isles. They would then wear the MacDonald tartan.

Clan Septs were of two classes: clansmen of the clan,who were related to the chief by blood and who formed separate branches of the clan; and "broken men," or the inlividuals or groups from other clans who sought, and obtained protection of the Clan. This resulted in a clan having septs of different surnames.

The Septs of the Morrison Clan were Brieve, Gilmore, Gilmour, Judge, MacBrieve, and Morison.

The Morrison Clan held the hereditary brieveship (Judge) of the Island of Lewis in the Hebrides, or Western Isles, having had the northern end of the island. They shared Lewis with their earliest neighbors, the MacLeods and MacAulays. They took their name from a Chief Maurice, after being earlier known as MacGilmore from a son of a devotee of Mary, but thechange occurred before the Reformation.

In 1598, the Island of Lewis was granted to Lowland "Adventurers," but in 1601, they were defeated. In 1605 colonization was again attempted, then in 1607, MacKenzie of Kintail acquired it. Due to accusations against them by the Government, the members of the MacLeon Clan of Lewis, many of the Morrison Clan removed to the mainland. On the abolition of the brieveship in the seventeenth century, the Morrisons gravitated to the Church. A branch of the family in Harris were celebrated smiths and armorers.

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GILMOUR - GILMORE ARMORIAL BEARINGS

One of the old Gilmour-Gilmore coats-of-arms was azure, three writing pens feathered argent.

The latest correction of the arms of Gilmour-Gilmore of Craigmillar, Edinburghshire, Scotland, in Burke's GENERAL ARMORY, is:

Arms: Azure, a chevron between two fleurs-de-lys in chief or, and a writing pen (quill) full-feathered, in base argent.

Crest: A garland of laurel proper.

Motto: Perseveranti dabitur

Tinctures: The shield is of blue.
The chevron is of gold.
The fleurs-de-lys are of gold.
The quill is of silver.
The mantle and wreath are of blue and gold.
The laurel garland is of green.

NOTES: Several variations have been used by the one family. Three fleurs-de-lys have been used in place of the two in chief, and another form showed three quills. The name in more recent times has been written "Gilmore," particularly by the lines that settled in Ireland, and now represented in the United States.

GILMER and GILMOUR. Scotland.	A dexter hand holding a scroll of paper within a garland of laurel proper. Nil penna sed usus.
GILMORE, and GILMOUR. Scotland.	A dexter arm from the shoulder vested azure brandishing a sword proper.
GILMOUR, Allan, Esquire, of Eaglesham, Renfrewshire. Scotland.	A dexter hand fesswaya couped holding a writing pen proper. Nil penna sed usus
GILMOUR, Sir John Bart, of Lundin & Montrave, Fifeshire, & or South Walton, Renfrewshire:	A dexter hand fesswaya couped holding a writing pen proper. Nil penna sed usus.
GILMOUR, of Townend, Lanarkshire.	An old Gothic window, proper. In limine exulo.
GILMOUR, of Craigmillar, Scotland.	A garland of laurel proper. Perseveranti dabitur.

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IRISH COATS-OF-ARMS

The Irish Race of today is popularly known as the Milesian Race, because the genuine Irish (Celtic) people were supposed to be descended from the Milesius of Spain, whose sons, say the legendary accounts, invaded and possessed themselves of Ireland a thousand years before Christ.

Of the Milesians, Eber and Eremon divided the land between them, Eremon getting the northern half of Ireland, and Eber the southern. The northeastern corner was accorded to the children of their lost brother IR, and the southwestern corner to their cousin, LUGHAID, the son of ITH.

Of the Line of Ir, son of Milesius, to whom Ulster had been apportioned, that branch called the Clan Rory (after its great founder, RORY, who had been King of Ulster, and also High-King of Ireland) now had ruled the province for nearly 700 years, namely, for more than 300 years before the Christian Era, and more than 300 years after. The capital city and the King's seat had been at Emain Macha.

There were nearly 200 tuaths or territories in Ireland, each occupied by a tribe, under its chief, who was oftentimes designated king of a tuath. The tribe resolved itself into family groups called derb-fine (four generations sprung from one man) centering around one leading family from whom the chief was always chosen.

Of the Gilmore family in Ireland, was the eminent musician and bandmaster, Patrick Sarsfield Gilmore.

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THE GILMOUR - GILMORE FAMILY
NEW HAMPSHIRE LINE

This is a compilation of the genealogy of James Gilmore[9], son of James Gilmore[8] and Mary (Crow); grandson of William[2], and Elizabeth (_____) Gilmore, and greatgrandson of Robert Gilmore[1] and Mary Ann (Kennedy) Gilmore.

James Gilmore[9] went to Geauga County, Ohio, from Hampden County, Mass. in 1812 and settled. His brother Edmund Gilmore[12] and wife Elizabeth (Stewart) came from Hampden County, Mass. to Lorain County, Ohio, in 1811 and settled.

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1. ROBERT GILMORE[1]

Born in Coleraine, Londonderry County, Northern Ireland, about 1670; died in Jaffrey, Cheshire Co., N.H. in 1750, age 80.

Married in Northern Ireland before 1685, to Mary Ann Kennedy (mentioned in records also as "Marion", born on , and died in Jaffrey, Cheshire Co. N.H. on . She was still alive in 1750, as a record "Marion, ye wife of Robert Gilmore, surrendered her right of dower, dated May 5, 1750 . . ", and this indicates she did come over with him, and was still living on that date. This information wasn't found heretofore anywhere else during research.

Due to the burning of the Court House in 1922, the Irish Public Records were, for most part, all destroyed, and exact dates will probably never be known. The various clergymen also failed to keep registers of births, marriages, and deaths of their congregations, which further complicates matters.

Both were of Scots-Irish descent. He used various spellings of the surname after arrival in America, such as Gillmor, and later in life appears in records as Gilmore, the now accepted English spelling of the surname, and "Gilmour" the Scots spelling.

They came to America with the Scots-Irish who arrived in Boston, Mass. on August 4, 1718, the traditional date of arrival of the Londonderry, N.H. Scots-Irish, on board the Brigantine ROBERT, under command of James Ferguson. As smallpox had broken out on board the ships, it is probable that the passengers were retained in Boston for the winter.

The given name "Robert" is a very ancient one in the Gilmore family, and so frequently used even today that if no dates are shown, it confuses genealogists to properly place them.

About 1719 Robert removed to the Three-Quarter Mile Range in New Hampshire, which was occupied BEFORE the Charter of Londonderry, Rockingham Co., N.H. was granted, and these homesteads were probably NOT included in the deed of John Wheelwright to the Colony of Nutfield (now Londonderry) N.H., and the land remained for many years in doubtful ownership, the people of Haverhill, Mass., claiming it during a boundary line dispute, and all that tract of land in the present township of Derry, N.H. lying east of a meridian line passing thru the most easterly corner of the English Range. The origin of the name of the range is found in the dimensions of the homesteads. They were laid out 240 rods inlength andof sufficient width to contain from 40 to 50 acres of land.

Robert's eldest son, William Gilmore, is shown as having 50 acresof land laid out in Nutfield (now Londonderry), N.H. in 1720, and recorded on June 1, 1722.

The fourth lot to the north was owned by David Cargill, Sr., who had a fulling mill there in March of 1722, and Beaver Brook ran thru the land. The eastern half of this lot was sold to Robert Gilmore, Sr. at an early date, and on March 25, 172 , David Cargill deeded a lot of 70 acres to Robert Gilmore, Sr. for building a fulling mill, according to early Provincial Deeds. This lot was north of William Gilmore's farm.

Robert Gilmore[1]

Then Robert Gilmore, Sr. of Londonderry, for divers good causes and consideration moving him, conveyed unto his sons James Gilmore and William Gilmore, all of the town of Londonderry, N.H., one messuage or tract of land in Londonderry, N.H. on March 25, 1724, said tract of land containing 70 acres more or less, bounding on Jno. Archibald's land, also upon David Cargill's land, and all bounds were trees, stakes or stones.

A fulling mill is a mill for fulling cloth by means of pestles or stampers, which alternately fall into and rise from troughs where the cloth is placed with hot water and fuller's earth, or other cleansing material.

When the town clerk of Londonderry, N.H. first opened his books, in the historical statement, he mentions Robert, William and James Gilmore as being among the first settlers.

Gilmore Pond, in Jaffrey, N.H., is named after Capt. Roger Gilmore, Revolutionary War soldier, son of Robert Gilmore, Jr.[2], who was son of Robert Gilmore, Sr.[1].

On October 7, 1727, Robert Gilmore, Sr. took the Provincial Oaths, according to an Act of Parliament.

At a Proprietory meeting held in Londonderry, N.H. on April 17, 1729, the question was taken up to acquit old Robert Gilmore and his son John, from payment of rates.

At a Proprietory meeting held on June 23, 1729, it was noted that the Selectman had no authority to acquit Robert Gilmore and his son John from paying rates. It would appear from this, that both were in financial trouble.

On October 29, 1729, there was a severe earthquake at 10 p.m., which was felt all over New England. The quake made a terrible noise, and produced great terror. The sky was clear and atmosphere perfectly calm and the moon was shining bright. Its greatest force was at Newbury, Mass., only 20 miles from Londonderry, N.H. and the earth opened in several places. Many buildings were thrown down in Newbury, and the sea roared in an unnatural manner, and flashes of light ran along the surface of the earth with an amazing noise.

CHILDREN:

2. WILLIAM b. About 1686 in Northern Ireland.
d. May 9, 1755, age 67 (tombstone record)
m. Before 1720 to Elizabeth _____
b.
d. Still alive in 1755 as mentioned in Will. No mention of her death or maiden name found up to 1960.
Children: William, b. Oct. 1, 1721, d. Mch. 7, 1747; Robert, b. May 25, 1724, d. sometime before 1755; Joan, b. July 25, 1726, still living in 1755; James, b. Aug. 10, 1723, d. after 1790 census of Mass. where then living; Mary, b. Jan. 8, 1730/31, d. 1815; John, dates of birth and death unknown.

Robert Gilmore[1]

CHILDREN (cont.)

3. ROBERT b. 1700, Ulster, Northern Ireland
d. Sept. 3, 1782, age 82
1st.m. , Ann _____
b.
d. sometime before 1736
2nd.m. , Elizabeth _____
b. 1713
d. Sept. 1, 1783, age 70
Children (1st m.) James, b. 1731; Elizabeth, b. 1733.
(2nd m.) John, b. 1737, d. 1813; Rodger, b. 1739, d. 1807; Mirem, b. 1742; Jamima, b. 1744; Robert, b. 1749; William, b. 1751, d. 1831.
This Robert Gilmore line has been carried out further in "Genealogy of the Derry, Rockingham Co., N.H. Line of the Gilmour-Gilmore Family, Which Descended From Robert and Mary Ann (Kennedy) Gilmore" by compiler of this genealogy.

4. JOHN b. About 1701, Ulster, Northern Ireland
d.
Unmarried
Last record of him found in 1762

5. JAMES (Capt.) b. 1702, Ulster, Northern Ireland
d. June 1, 1758, age 56, Windham, N.H., burial in Hill Cemetery
1st.m. About 1721 to Jean Baptiste
b.
d.
2nd.m. , Margaret _____
b. 1691
d. Jan. 8, 1775, age 84 (tombstone record)
He came to America in 1718, and in 1750 was called a "Wheelwright".
He was a captain in the Indian Wars.
Removed from Londonderry, Rockingham Co., N.H. about 1741, to Windham, Rockingham Co., N.H. and lived during the last years near the Abbot Farm in the Range.
Tombstone record, Hill Cemetery, Windham, N.H.:
"James Gilmore, d. June 1, 1758, in his 56th year.
Margaret, his wife, died Jan. 8, 1775, in her 84th year."
Children (1st m.) Per vital records, Londonderry, N.H.
Joan, b. 1721; Margaret, b. 1724; John, b. 1726, d. Apr. 26, 1806, age 80; Jonathan, b. 1728/9; Elizabeth, b. 1730/31. Children who were not recorded in Londonderry: James (Col.) b. 1734, d. 1809, md. 3 times; Mary Ann, b. 1737, d. 1822, md. 1758; Agnes, b. 1740, d. 1814.

Robert Gilmore[1], cont.

CHILDREN (cont.)

JAMES He was called a "Wheelwright" in the N. H. Provincial Deed Records as follows: "Bot of James McNeal April 13, 1722, his homestead.

On March 10, 1730/1, James Gilmore, of Londonderry, for 15 pounds ten shillings, sold to James Adams, of Londonderry, 'my right to one messuage or piece of meadow lying below James Thompson's house and joyneth to the same James Thompson's land. Jane Gilmore resigns her right of dower. Sgd James Gilmore & Jane Gilmore.'

2. WILLIAM GILMORE[2] - Robert[1]

Born near Coleraine, Londonderry County, Northern Ireland, about 1686; died in Londonderry, Rockingham County, N. H. on May 9, 1753, age 67, and buried in the Forest Hill Cemetery, Derry, N. H.

Some time before 1721 he married Elizabeth , born on and still living in 1753, as she is mentioned in her husband's Will, proved on Sept. 28, 1753.

In a schedule of names of the Proprietors of Nutfield (now Londonderry), N. H. dated June 22, 1722, appears the name of William Gilmore with two shares.

He owned a 50-acre farm in the Three-Quarter-Mile Range of Nutfield (now Londonderry), N.H., laid out in 1720, and recorded June 1, 1722. The road runnin thru the western end was laid out on February 18, 1724, and the road running thru north of his farm was laid out on February 17, 1723.

At a general town meeting on July 2, 1720, it was voted that Hugh Montgomery should be asked whether he intended to come to Londonderry and make a settlement on half of Capt. Wainwright's lot. On June 19, 1721, Montgomery refused to settle on the terms offered, and the half-lot was auctioned off and sold to William Gilmor and James Rogers, and Samuel Moore advanced ten shillings for them.

On March 24, 1721/22, it was voted by a committee that William Gilmore should have his meadow in the white rock meadow.

OnOctober 7, 1727, William Gilmore took the Provincial Oaths, according to an Act of Parliament.

At a general meeting of the Proprietors, freeholders, and inhabitants of Londonderry, N.H., dated March 5, 1734/5, William Gilmore was appointed as one of the Surveyors of Highways.

His last Will and Testament* is dated May 11, 1753, witnessed by Arthur Archibald, Robert Archibald, and James Gilmore. It was proved on Sept. 28, 1753, and the inventory of Sept. 24, 1753 showed estate valued at two thousand two hundred and ninety-nine pounds and ten shillings. In hisWill he spelled the surname three different ways, "Gilmor," "Gillmor" and signed "Gillmore." (See copy of Will in Appendix.) In the town records it is spelled "Gilmore".

CHILDREN:

6. WILLIAM b. October 1, 1721, Londonderry, N.H.
d. March 7, 1747, age 26
Unmarried.
A tombstone in the Forest Hill Cemetery, East Derry, N.H. states he was son of a John Gilmore, instead of William Gilmore, as shown in the Londonderry, N.H. vital records.

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* Also note his Will was dated TWO days AFTER his date of death, but itwas proved O.K. There was confusion in those days with calendar designation of "Old Style" and "New Style".

William Gilmore[2]

CHILDREN: (cont)

7. ROBERT — b. May 25, 1724, Londonderry, N.H.
d. Must of died before 1755, as he is NOT mentioned in his father's Will of 1755.

JEAN — b. July 25, 1726, Londonderry, N.H.
d. Still living in 1755, as mentioned in her father's Will.
m. Dec. 25, 1749, Joseph Caldwell.
b.
d. Still living in 1755.
Children: William Caldwell, b. ; (only one mentioned in his grandfather's Will.)
Jean was called "Jennet" in her father's Will of1755.

8. JAMES* — b. Aug. 10, 1728, Londonderry, N.H.
d. After 1790 census
m.Bans. Oct. 15, 1749, Pelham, N.H.
m. Dec. 26, 1749, Mary Crow, of Hothmon, Mass., nearby.
b.
d.
Children: William, b. 1750, d. 1755; James, b. 1752, d. 1829; Mary, b. 1755; William, b. 1758; Elizabeth, b. 1760; Thomas, b. 1763; EDMUND, b. 1765, d. 1846;
About 1768 he removed to Murrayfield (now Chester), Mass., and appears on the Assessment Roll for April 19, 1768.
In the Revolutionary War he was a Private in Capt. Cowden's Co., 4th Hampshire County Rgt., marched Aug. 17, 1777; discharged Aug. 20, 1777, service six days, travel included; company marched under command of Lt. Col. Ruggles Woodbridge on Alarm at Bennington, Aug. 17 1777. This was in the Continental Service.

MARY — b. Jan. 8, 1730/31, Londonderry, N.H.
d. 1815, Belfast, Me.
m. , John Brown, of Belfast, Me.
b. 1732
d. May 15, 1817, Belfast, Me.

JOHN — b.
d.
He is NOT listed in the Londonderry, N.H. Vital Records, but is mentioned in his father's Will of 1755, so he must of been born after removal from Londonderry, N.H.

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* Frank Storey Osgood, in a mimeographed compilation of a "Robert and James Gilmore, Etc.," stated that this James died in 1765, but gave no proof. There are NO record of death in Pelham, N.H. It would appear that the James Gilmore Mr. Osgood has reference to is a descendant of the James Gilmore who went to Windham, N.H. The record s of that branch are quite mixed up.

8. JAMES GILMORE[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Londonderry, Rockingham County, N.H. on August 10, 1728; died some time after the 1790 Census for Mass. in which he is listed. The ancient cemetery Norwich Bridge being the nearest to Huntington, Mass., where he is supposed to hav died, is also where his wife is probably buried. Charles Culver, who married his daughter Mary, and James Geer, A Rev. War soldier who shared Pew D4-6 in the old church, are also buried there. No Gilmore tombstones, but there are stones for Culver and Geer.

On December 26, 1749, he married Mary Crow, in Methuen, Essex Co., Mass., marriage bans were published in nearby Pelham, Hillsboro Co., NH on Oct. 15, 1749. No records have been found as to Mary's date of birth, death, or names of her parents. She probably died in or near Blandford, Mass. There is a record of a remarriage of a Mrs. Mary Gilmore in Blandford, Mass., to a Solomon Stewart, on Marc 5, 1804, but it is not known whether it was Mary(Crow) Gilmore or Mary (Murray) Gilmore, the latter being the widow of a Lt. James Gilmore, who had no children.

On Nov. 18, 1755, about 4 p.m. there was a severe earthquake which appeared to shove the houses upward, and followed by a peculiar tremor which lasted a few minutes, then there were quick vibrations and jerks. This quake was felt over a wi area and done considerable damage in Boston.

James Gilmore removed from Pelham, Hillsboro Co., N.H. about 1768, andhis name appears in the Murrayfield, Mass. Assessment Roll for April 19, 1768, showin him to have been an early settler, homestead a mile above Huntington Village, buil ings all gone in 1811. His name also appears on the old Assessment Roll of Murra field, Mass. in 1773. Most of these early settlers all came from New Hampshire.

It is very confusing to trace any James Gilmore because of the frequent use o that name in all branches of the family andunless you can get dates of birth, mar riage, and death, and where they came from originally and removed to, it is quite hard to get the right one.

The town of Murrayfield (now Chester), Hampden Co., Mass., was incorporated Oct. 31, 1765, and included the territory what afterwards constituted Norwich, an was thus for about eighty years, then a radical change took place, and movement b gan in Chester Village. The line between Blandford and Chester passed thru one meeting house and dwelling, so that a tenant w.o lived in a corner room went to Chester to vote, and the others went several miles away. Local jurisdiction was badly mixed. The people first endeavored to erect a new town, but failed, so the asked, and received, annexation to Norwich. The townrecords for theyears 1777-1780 are lost.

Huntington, Hampshire Co., Mass. was formerly Chester Village. Pelham, Hill boro Co., N.H. was incorporated in 1746, and before the boundary line changes between Mass. and N.H. in 1741, the town of Pelham, N. H. was in Mass. The prese town of Pelham, Hampshire Co., Mass. was first mentioned in the records of the State on Jan. 15, 1743, and there was a James Gilmore and family residing there, may, or may not, have been related to the James Gilmore who came from Pelham, N.

Part of Murrayfield, Mass. was established as the District of Norwich on Jun 29, 1773. On May8, 1781, part was annexed to Norwich. On Feb. 21, 1783, the na of Murrayfield was changed to Chester. On August 23, 1775, the District of Norwi

was made a town by General Act. On Nov. 23, 1780, part was included in the new town of Montgomery. On May 8, 1781, part of Murrayfield was annexed. On March 6, 1792, part was annexed to Montgomery. On Feb. 22, 1794, part was annexed to Chesterfield. On May 25, 1855, parts of Blanford and Chester annexed. On March 9, 1855, the name was changed to HUNTINGTON. The east branch of the Westfield River flows thru the entire length of the town from north to south, and receives the Middle Branch above Norwich Bridge, and the united stream then makes it junction with the West Branch just below Huntington station.

As Murrayfield, Norwich, Montgomery, Huntington, Blanford, and Chester were continuously changing boundaries and names, and not all of them in the same county, a person looking up records will have quite a time getting their ancestors properly located, according to town names as presently used.

For many years during the early days of Murrayfield, Mass., no records of Birth marriages and deaths were kept, and very few town records, of the men who served in the Revolutionary War, especially those serving in the Continental Army.

The first meeting house was erected but not completed in 1767. The Rev. Aaron Buscom was settled as the first minister of Murrayfield, Mass. in 1769. A plan of the lower floor of the First Church of Murrayfield, Mass., in 1779, shows a James Geer and a James Gilmore as occupying Pew D4-6* in the rear near the door. In 1785 when the meeting house was repaired and reseated, no Gilmores are shown as having a pew.

In the Revolutionary War, James Gilmore served in the Continental Army, accordi to Mass. Soldiers & Sailors in the Revolution.

> "GILMORE, James, Pvt., Capt. Cowden's Co., 4th Hampshire County Regt., marched Aug. 17, 1777; discharged Aug. 20, 1777, service six days, travel included; company marched under command of Lt. Col. Ruggles Woodbridge on Alarm at Bennington, Aug. 17, 1777."

All able-bodied men and boys were called out on this alarm. James was then only 49 years old. It will be found that in the early days of the war, that all of the Gilmores from fifteen years of age on had some service. Many men did not enlist in their home town, either because no bounty was offered, or they did not like the home town leadership. Service was either as Minute-men or as Continentals. Many of the muster rolls of Capt. Cowden's Company have no dates, making it impossible to fix the year of service of many men. There were also many "bounty jumpers", men who enlisted in a town and got the bounty offered, then deserted and went to another locality and reenlisted under another name, and got their bounty, and so on. Bounties should not have been paid until AFTER they served.

The Winter of 1779-80 was the coldest ever known up to that time, and the harbor of New York froze almost solid.

It was intensely dark all day and night on May 19, 1780, and people thought the end of the world was near.

In 1811, according to the History of Connecticut Valley in Mass., a James, Edmund, and William Gilmore left Chester, Mass. by ox team for the West, and a large gathering saw the colony start. It was mentioned that General Quincy Adams Gillmore, of the Army, was from this family. However, available data now does not

* D4-6 means Pew #D-4 for six persons.

confirm all of this. It seems it was Edmund, his son Aretus, and his nephew Ashbel Gilmore who were among the first to go in 1811, making the entire trip of about 600 miles on foot. Upon their arrival in Black River (now Lorain), Lorain Co., Ohio, in the Western Reserve, Ashbel did not like it there and removed to what is now Chesterland, Geauga Co., Ohio. After Edmund and son Aretus had erected a log cabin in Black River, Edmund returned to Chester, Mass. for the rest of his family, leaving Aretus in charge in Black River. Ashbel's father, James Gilmore, brother of Edmund, came to Geauga Co., Ohio, with his family in 1812. If Edmund's brother William came along he must of stopped off enroute, because no records are available to show his arrival in what is now Lorain or Geauga Counties, Ohio.

<u>CHILDREN:</u> (All born in Pelham, N.H. under name spelled "Gillmore" & "Gilmore")

WILLIAM — b. Nov. 14, 1750
d. Sept. 20, 1753, age 2 y. 10 m.

9. JAMES — b. Nov. 14, 1752
d. Jan. 30, 1829, Chesterland, Geauga Co., O.
m. , Nancy _____
b. 1756
d. Nov. 10, 1833, Chesterland, Geauga Co., O.
He was progenitor of what is known as the Geauga County, Ohio, branch of the Gilmores, N.H. line.
He was a Pvt. in the Rev. War, in Lt. Josiah Wilson's Co., Col. Porter's (Hampshire Co.) rgt., enlisted Sept. 23, 1777; discharged Oct. 17, 1777; service one month two days; travel included. Company marched northward to reinforce army under Major General Gates.
Children: Silas, b. 1774; Mary, b. 1778, d. 1846; Susanna, b. 1781; Samuel, b. 1783; Ashbel, b. 1785, d. 1860; Asa, b. 1788; James, b. 1790, d. 1868; Nancy, b. 1794, d. 1865; Reuben, b. 1796; Patty, b. 1800.

MARY — b. July 19, 1755
d. July 17, 1825, suddenly, age 70
m. , Charles Culver
b. 1751
d. May 22, 1825, suddenly, age 74
Records of their deaths appear in the 1st Cong. Church of Chester, Mass. Charles is buried in the ancient cemetery at Norwich Bridge, near Huntington, and has a tombstone, and it is presumed his wife is also buried there.
In 1797 Charles Culver and ten others had Pew #21 in the old First Church of Blandford, Mass.
About 1784 Charles Culver bot a 50-acre lot near Huntington, Mass. from William Stewart.
Marriages of some of the Culvers appear in the Vital Records of Chester, Mass., but no births.

CHILDREN:

MARY (cont.) In the 1790 census it shows Charles Culver, of Blandford, Mass., as having five males under 16 and four white females.
In the Census for 1800, in Chester, Mass., it shows one boy under 10; one boy 10 and under 14; two boys 16 and under 26; two girls of 10 and under 16.

10. WILLIAM b. April 5, 1758
d.
m. April 23,1780, Jerusha Stewart, of Blandford, Mass.*
b. Sept. 11, 1764, Blandford, Mass.
d. , still alive in 1833
The 1790 census, town of Chester, Mass., shows him as having 4 boys under 16, and one female.
Rev. War soldier: "William Gilmore, of Blandford, Pvt., Capt. Reuben Munn's Co.; Col. Nicholas Dike's Rgt.; return for travel allowance, etc., dated Roxbury, Sept. 17, 1776; also, same company and regiment, pay abstract for travel allowances, etc., dated Boston, Nov. 26, 1776."

ELIZABETH b. May 26, 1760
d.
m. April 5, 1785, Nathan Cannon, a Rev. War soldier.
b. Dec. 2, 1759, Blandford, Mass.
d. 1846
Children: Israel (Colonel), War of 1812); Sallie; Sylvester; Artemesia; Olive; Salomie; Nathan; Tryphena.

11. THOMAS b. Feb. 28, 1765
d.
m. , Nancy Normola (?)
b.
d.
Children: Harriet, b. May 15, 1798; Darius, b. June 26, 1800; Alma, b. 1802, d. 1805; Giles D., b. in Bocket, May 4, 1804, d. Au . 25, 1853, age 53, in Rochester, Lorain Co., Ohio. He was an early settler there and gave land for site of what is now the Independent Baptist Church, and also land for the ancient cemetery.

12. ELIJAH b. Sept. 28, 1765
d. Apr. 9, 1846, Lorain, Lorain Co., Ohio
m. Jan. 4, 1789, Elizabeth Stewart
b. Sept. 10, 1769, Blandford, Mass.
d. Feb. 22, 1844, Lorain, Lorain Co., O.
They were the progenitors of the Gillmore-Gilmore line of Lorain, Lorain Co., Ohio.

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* Jerusha Stewart was still alive in 1833, accdg to a photostat of one of her letters addressed to Rachel Stewart (Jahiel Stewart's wife) dated Blandford, Mass. May 5, 1833.

CHILDREN: (cont.)

Edmund came to what is now Lorain, Lorain Co., Ohio, in 1811. Children: Quartus, b. 1790, d. 1869; Arotus, b. 1792, d. 1855; Orrin, b. 1794; Simon, b. 1796, d. 1852; Truman, b. 1798, d. 1830; Reuben, b. about 1800, d. young; Roxana, b. 1805; Alanson, b. 1808, d. 1893; Edmund II, b. 1808, d. 1881; James Madison, b. 1811.

9. JAMES GILLMORE[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Pelham, Hillsboro Co., N.H. on November 14, 1752 (not 1754 as shown in one record); died in Chester (now Chesterland, Geauga County, Ohio) on January 30, 1829, age 77 (another record states August 23, 1829, age 75).

On married to Nancy , born in on 1756; died in Chester (now Chesterland) Geauga Co., Ohio, on Nov. 10, 1833, age 77.

Both are buried in the Old Settlement Cemetery, Chesterland, Geauga Co., Ohio.

He removed from Pelham, Hillsboro Co., N.H. with his parents, to Murrayfield (now Chester, Hampden Co., Mass.) about 1763.

He served in the Continental Army in the Revolutionary War as a Private, in Lieut. Josiah Wilson's Co., Col. Porter's (Hampshire Co.) Regiment. Enlisted Sept. 23, 1777; discharged on October 17, 1777, service one month two days, travel included. Company marched northward to reinforce Army under Major General Gates durin Rev. War.

He came to Geauga County, Ohio in 1812, with a family of five children, and built a log house half a mile east of the center of the township, and subsequently built the first frame house in the township, where the town hall is now situated. Geauga County was formed in 1803, with Chardon as its County Seat.

He was elected Township Treasurer in 1813 and 1820; appointed Overseer of the Poor at the first town meeting subsequent to incorporation of the township; Supervisor; and on April 7, 1823 a meeting of the electors was held to consider the purchase of a burial ground in the southeast part of the town. James Gilmore offered an acre of ground for $15.00, but the township could not afford it, as the Presbyterian Society bought it. He was among the first jurymen selected in 1813.

His Will is in Probate Record "A", page 393, in Chardon, Ohio, and is dated May 17, 1821, eight years before his death in 1829. He mentions Molly Tanner, daughter; Susannah Lee, daughter; Nancy Norton, daughter; Samuel, a son; Ashbel, a son; James, a son; Asa, a son; Reuben, a son.

In the Vital Records of Chester, Mass., the children are listed: Asa, b. 1783; Ashbel, b. 1785; James, Jr. b. 1790; Mary, b. 1778; Nancy, b. 1794; Patty, b. 1800; Reuben, b. 1796; Samuel, b. 1783; Silas, b. 1774; Susanna, b. 1781.

Not known why his wife Nancy, who died four years AFTER he did, wasnt mentioned in his Will. Will was signed using surname "Gillmore" but in all other records he used the surname "Gilmore." Also, not known what happened to sonSilas, daughters Patty and Mary, not mentioned in his Will.

CHILDREN: (All born in Chester, Mass.)

13. SILA b. Sept. 29, 1774
d.
M.Int. Feb. 18, 1799 (See V.R. Blandford and Chester, Mass.)
m. , Sally Cannon, Blandford, Mass.
b.
d.
Children: Not known.

James Gilmore[9]

CHILDREN: (cont.)

MARY b. Nov. 21, 1778
d. Feb. 16, 1846, age 68
m.
b.
d.

SUSANNA b. April 18, 1781
d.
M.Int. June 29, 1801, Charles Lee, of Chester, Mass.
m.
m.
b.
d.
She is mentioned in her father's Will of May 17, 1821.

14. SAMUEL b. July 17, 1783
d.
m.
b.
d.
Mentioned in his father's Will of May 17, 1821.

15. ASHBEL b. Sept. 22, 1785
d. Aug. 23, 1860, age 75
M.Int. Dec. 11, 1808, Vital Rec. Chester, Mass.
m. , Nancy Wright, in Chester, Mass.
b. 1789
d. Jan. 27, 1856, age 67
Children: Gershom; Silas T.; Persis; Mary Ann and Martha Ann, twins; Watty; Harmony; Laura; Mariah.
He came to Chesterland, Ohio, from Chester, Mass. in 1811.
Mentioned in his father's Will of May 17, 1821.
The 1850 census for Geauga Co., Ohio, shows him as bein 60, born in Mass., and living with him is listed a Polly ____, age 53, born in Penna. (his second wife?). As his age given in the census is off 5 years, it would appear he remarried some time after 1826.

16. ASA b. Feb. 12, 1788
d.
Bachelor, as far as known.
Mentioned in his father's Will of May 17, 1821
The 1850 census shows him as living with his brother Reuben.

17. JAMES b. March 19, 1790
d. Oct. 12, 1868, age 78
m. July 17, 1817, Temperance Hulbert
b. Sept. 11, 1792, in Conn.
d. Dec. 5, 1873, age 81, burial in Chesterland, O.
He came to Chesterland, O. from Hampden Co., Mass. in 1811, unmarried.
Mentioned in his father's Will of May 17, 1821.
Children: Reuben; Patty; Jane; Cornelia; Aurelia; Juana M.

James Gilmore[9]

CHILDREN: (cont.)

NANCY
b. Feb. 9, 1794, Chester, Hampden Co., Mass.
d. Aug. 30, 1863, age 71
M.Int. Feb. 24, 1798, per vital records, Chester, Mass.
m. , Silas Tanner
b.
d.
Children: The Chester, Mass. Vital Records, under "Deaths" lists a young child of Silas Tanner as dyin, in Nov. 'first week' of 1801, 1st Cong. Church Record. Under "Unidentified" appears, "granichild of James Gilmore, Nov. 'first week', Cong. Ch. Rec., Chester, Mass.
Nancy is called "Polly" in her father's Will of May 17, 1821.

10. REUBEN
b. _____29, 1796, Chester, Hampden Co., Mass.
d.
1st.m. , to Samantha _____
b. 1802
d. Nov. 4, 1824, age 22
2nd.m. About 1829 to Mary Brass
b. 1806
d.
Mentioned in his father's Will of May 17, 1821
The 1850 census for Chester Twp., Tcauga Co., O., shows him as being 54, and his wife Mary, as 44.
Reuben's brother Asa, a farmer, is shown as living with him.
Children (presumably by 2d m.) Charles; Delos; Adelaide; Caroline; Alson

PATTY
b. May 6, 1800, Chester, Hampden Co., Mass.
d.
m.
b.
d.
Not mentioned in her father's Will of May 17, 1821; also some question as to whether she ever left Mass. to come to Ohio, or whether she hadn't died in Mass.

15. SILAS GILLETT[15] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester, Hampden County, Mass. on September 29, 1774; died in , Geauga County, Ohio, on

On married to Sally Carmon, of Blandford, Mass., marriage intentions published on Feb. 18, 1799 per vital records of Chester, Mass. She was born in on ; died in on

In 1831 he was elected Justice of the Peace in Geauga County, Ohio, serving two years.

CHILDREN:

14. SAMUEL GILMORE[14] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester, Hampden County, Mass. on July 17, 1783; died in on

On married to born in on died in on:

CHILDREN:

15. ASHBEL GILMORE[15] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester, Hampden County, Mass. on Sept. 22, 1785; died in Chester (now Chesterland), Geauga County, Ohio, on August 25, 1860. His tombstone states he died at age of 75, whereas it should be age 75, as his date of birth is registered in Vital Records of Chester, Mass.

Marriage intentions, as recorded in Chester, Mass., were dated Dec. 11, 1808, to marry Nancy Wright, born in on 1789; died in Geauga County, Ohio, on January 27, 1826, age 37, according to tombstone.

Both are buried in the Old Settlement Cemetery, Chesterland, Geauga Co., Ohio.

They used the surname spelling of "Gilmore".

The 1850 census for Geauga Co., Ohio, shows him as living in Dwelling 108-112, Chester Twp., and living with him was listed a Polly Gilmore, age 53, born in Penna. It is not known whether this was his second wife, or a relative living with him.

In 1811, at age of 27, Ashbel first came to Ohio with his uncle, Edmund Gilmore, and Edmund's son Aretus. Edmund and Aretus settled in what is now Lorain, Lorain Co. Ohio and in1812 when Ashbel's father James came to Geauga Co, Ohio, from Chester, Mass., Ashbel removed to Geauga Co., O. and settled in town then known as Chester (now Chesterland). He erected a cabin about half a mile southeast of the center of the town. About three weeks later his brother James Gilmore, unmarried, arrived from Chester, Mass. In 1812, James Gilmore, Sr., Ashbel's father, arrived with the rest of his family, and built a log cabin.

Ashbel was elected Township Treasurer in 1816, serving one year.

CHILDREN:

27. CHARLES — b. 1813, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O.
d. 1891, age 78
m. Nov. 7, 1839, Lydia Scott
b. 1814
d. 1888, age 74
They were married by a Rev. W. French.
The 1850 census lists him as a farmer, name misspelled as "Coruslin".
Children: Louis H., b. 1841, who married Alice Post, a dwarf; Samantha, b. 1846.

28. SILAS T — b. Aug. 4, 1814, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O.
d. May 14, 1898, age 84
m. Oct. 21, 1838, Lois Nichols.
b. June 17, 1815, in Vermont
d. April 25, 1899, age 86
Married by Justice of Peace, Anson Matthews.
Children: (as shown in 1850 census): David, age 11; Armantha, age 9; Betsey, age 7; and Roller, age 5.

CHILDREN: (cont.)

PERSIS
b. 1815(?) Chester, Geauga Co., O.
d. After 1857
m. Oct. 21, 1830, David Scott
b.
d.
They were married by Justice of the Peace Ratsel Hulbert.
Children: Pomeroy, b. 1833(?); Plimpton, b. 1835 (?); Nancy, b. 1837 (?)

Twins

MARY ANN
b. Feb. 16, 1816, Chester, Ohio
d.
m. Oct. 1838 and 1845, David Scott, husband of her deceased sister, Persis.
b.
d.
Children: Ransome, b. 1844; Spencer, b. 1848; Pemberton, b. 1849.

MARTHA ANN
b. Feb. 16, 1816, Chester, Ohio
d. Mch. 24, 1897, age 81
m. , Aretus Scott
b. 1812
d. Dec. 29, 1875, age 63
Children:
They lived in Chardon, Ohio, at one time. This is Mrs. Hattie King's line in Chardon, Ohio.

NAITY
b. 1817(?) Chester, Geauga Co., O.
d.
m. Oct. 21, 1841, Christopher Horse.
b.
d.
They were married by Rev. Stephenson.
At one time lived in Painesville, O.
Children: Deliah

HARMONY
b. 1818, Chester, Geauga Co., O.
d. 1886, age 68
m. Oct. 12, 1836, Joseph William Briggs
b. 1815, Cranston, Ohio
d. Feb. 23, 1872, Cleveland, O., and buried in Woodlawn Cem.
Children: Laura; Mary; Emma; Isabel; Kate; Allen; Kirk; Rufus; Hattie
He established the first free mail delivery system in the U.
Tombstone has surname spelled wrong, according to a descendant. (See letter in Appendix)

CHILDREN: (cont.)

LAURA b.
d.
m.
b.
d.

MARIAH b.
d.
m. , Elijah Scott
b.
d.

16. [illegible] [illegible]^{16} - [illegible]^{9} - [illegible]^{8} - [illegible]^{2} - Robert^{1}

Born in Chester, Hampden County, Mass. on Feb. 12, 1788; died in Geauga Co., Ohio (it is presumed) on

So far as known he was a bachelor.

The 1850 census for Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, shows him as living with his younger brother, Reuben, and that he was aged 64, and born in Mass. He gave the wrong age, as his correct age is recorded in the vital records of Chester, Hampden Co., Mass. and born on Feb. 12, 1788.

17. JAMES GILMORE[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester, Hampden County, Mass. on March 19, 1790; died on October 12, 1868, age 78. The 1850 census for Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O., gives occupation as farmer, age 60, and born in Mass.

Married on July 17, 1817 to Temperance Hulbert, born on Sept. 11, 1792; died on March 5, 1873, age 81. The 1850 census, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O., gives age as 57, and born in Conn.

Both are buried in the Chester Center, Geauga Co., Ohio cemetery.

James came to what is now Lorain, Lorain Co., Ohio, in 1811 with his uncle Edmund Gilmore, then when his parents came to Geauga Co. in 1812, he went there.

His Will is dated Sept. 27, 1855, filed Oct. 29, 1868, and recorded in Wills "A", p. 533. In it he mentions:

Wife, Temperance
Patty Tiffany, oldest daughter
Jane Shaw, next oldest daughter
Cornelia Burnett, next oldest daughter
Aurelia, youngest daughter
Reuben H., oldest son
Duane, youngest son

He served as a member of a Committee to select the first burial ground in Chester (now Chesterland), Geauga Co., Ohio, on April 7, 1823.

CHILDREN:

30. REUBEN H. b. 1796 (one record says 1813)
d. May 21, 1892, near Kirtland, Lake Co., O.
m. , Asenath Gates
b. 1803, in New York
d. 1883, age 83
Children: (accdg to 1850 census): Jane; James Lancer; Emerilla.
Mentioned in his father's Will dated Sept. 27, 1855.

PATTY b.
d.
1st.m. , Warren Tiffney
b.
d.
2nd.m. , Nelson Parker
b.
d.
Childfon, 1s t.m. Frank; Burrett
2nd.m.
She is mentioned in father's Will of Sept. 27, 1855, as "Patty Tiffany, oldest dau."

JANE b.
d.
m. , Newell Shaw
b.
d.
Mentioned in father's Will dated Sept. 27, 1855 as "Jane Shaw."

James Gilmore[17]

CHILDREN: (cont.)

CORNELIA
b.
d.
m. , Burnett
b.
d.
Mentioned in father's Will dated Sept. 27, 1855 as "Cornelia Burnett".

AURELIA
b.
d.
m.
b.
d.
1850 census gives age as 18, born in Ohio.
Mentioned in father's will dated Sept. 27, 1855 as "Aurelia" and evidently not yet married.

51. DUNN W
b. Dec. 19, 1828 (1850 census says 1833)
d. June 17, 1915
m. , Rhoda Benson
b. Dec. 20, 1838
d. Aug. 26, 1901
Children (adopted): Bennie, b. ; d. ; Alice P., b. 1852, died 1922 and for some time lived in Middlefield, Geauga Co., O.
1850 census gives his age as 17.
Mentioned in his father's Will of Sept. 27, 1855 as "youngest son."

18. REUBEN GILMORE[13] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester, Hampden Co., Mass. on _____ 29, 1796; died in Geauga County, Ohio, presumably on .

Married first on to Samatha , born on 1802; died on November 4, 1824, age 22. Burial in Old Settlement Cemetery, Chesterland, Ohio.

Married second about 1829 to Mary Brass, born on 1806; diedon

He is shown in the1850 census for Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, as being a farmer, with realestate valued at $5,000 and aged 54. Mary, his wife, is shown as being 44 and born in Mass.

CHILDREN: (1st m.)

Not known if any

CHILDREN: (2nd m.)

53. CHARLES b. 1830, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O.
d.
m.
b.
d.
Children:
1850 census shows him as being 20.

DELOS b. 1840, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O
d.
m.
b.
d.
Children:
1850 census shows age as 10.

ADELAIDE b. 1843, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O.
d.
m.
b.
d.
1850 census shows her as being 7.

CAROLINE b. , Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O.
d.

54. ALLEN b. , Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O.
d.
1850 census shows as being born 6/12

27. GERSHOM GILLMORE[27] - Ashbel[15] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in , Geauga County, Ohio, presumably, on 1815; died there, presumably, in 1891, age 78. The 1850 census for Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, shows spelling as "Gerusha", age 38, farmer.

On Nov. 7, 1839, married Lydia Scott, born in New York on 1814; died in on 1888, age 74. They were married by Rev. W. French. The 1850 census shows age as 36.

Both are buried in the Old Settlement Cemetery, Chesterland, Geauga Co., O.

The given name "Gershom" appears in Exodus 2:22 in the Bible, the oldest son of Moses.

CHILDREN:

35. LEWIS H b. 1841
d. 1905, age 64
m. , Alice Post, a dwarf.
b.
d.
1850 census gives age as 9

SAMANTHA b. 1846
d.
m.
b.
d.
1850 census gives age as 4.

23. SILAS T. GILMORE[23] - Ashbel[15] - James[9] - James[3] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester (now Chesterland), Geauga Co., O. on August 4, 1814; died there on May 14, 1898, age 84. The 1850 census shows him as being a farmer, age 36, and value of realestate $500.

Married on October 21, 1838, to Lois Nichols, by Justice of the Peace Amnon Matthews. She was born in , Vt. on June 17, 1815; died on April 25, 1899, age 86. The 1850 census shows her as being 37 and born in Vermont.

Both are buried in the Old Settlement Cemetery, Chesterland, Geauga Co., Ohio.

CHILDREN:

36. DAVID S — b. July 19, 1839, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio.
d.
m. Jan. 29, 1867, Mary O. Willson
b.
d.
She was the daughter of General F. and Eliza (Henderson) Willson.
In the 1850 census David is shown as 11 years old.
Children: George E.; Charles W.

AROMANTHA — b. 1841
d.
m. , Alf Gould
b.
d.
Children: ALICE; Ernest; John
The 1850 census shows name as Aromantha, age 9

BETTY — b. 1843
d.
m. ,Henley Moon
b.
d.
Children:
The 1850 Census shows name as "Betsey", age 7

37. WELLER S — b. 1847
d. 1922, age 75
m. , Statira Ames
b.
d.
Shown in 1850 census age 3
Children: Dr. Clifford Freeman Gilmore; Henley M.

Twins (ALBERT — b. June 2, 1851
d. June 19, 1851, age 17 days
Twins (VICTORIA L — b. June 2, 1851
d. Jan. 11, 1860, age 9

ALICE — b.
d.
Not listed in 1850 census.

30. REUBEN H. GILMORE[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in , Geauga Co., Ohio, in 1813*; died in or near Kirtland, Lake Co., Ohio, on May 21, 1892, age 93. The 1850 census for Geauga Co., Ohio, states age then as 35, occupation farmer, and living in Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio.

On married to Asenath Gates, born in New York State in 1806, and died in Geauga Co., Ohio, presumably, in 1838. The 1850 census for Chester Twp., gives age as 44, and born in New York State.

CHILDREN:

JANE b. , Chester, Geauga Co., Ohio.
d. About 1900
m. , John Colby, widower
b.
d.
By his first marriage he had Amos and Elmer Colby.
Children, 2d m.:
Jane had a son named Theodore Gilmore.

38. JAMES HARVEY b. 1842, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O.
d. , of asthma.
m. July 3, 1866, Emalu Crary, of Kirtland, O.
b.
d.
The 1850 census gives her age as 8, born in Ohio.
Children: William Edgar; George; Dora; Byron; Dellie; Daisy.

LUCINDA b. 1844, Chester Twp., Geauga Co., O.
d.
1850 census gives age as 6.

E. L. b.
d.
1850 census gives birth as 4/12 and no sex given.

* Years ago the compiler, from a descendant of this line, was given the year 1797 as the date of birth. The 1850 census gives it as 1813.

51. DUANE W. GILMORE[51] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester Twp., Geauga County, Ohio, on December 19, 1833*; died in on June 17, 1915, age 82. The 1850 census for Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, shows his age as 17, and born in Ohio.

On married to Rhoda Benson, born on December 20, 1833, and died in on June. 26, 1901, age 63.

ADOPTED CHILDREN

BERTIE b.
d.
m.
b.
d.

ALICE P b.
d.
m.
b.
d.

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* 1823 was another date given by a relative years ago, but not certain.

55. CHARLES GILMORE[55] - Reuben[18] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester Twp., Cayuga Co., Ohio, in 1830; died in on . The 1850 census gives his age as 20.

On married to born in on died in on

CHILDREN:

54. ALMON GILMORE[34] - Reuben[18] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, in 1850; died in on . The 1850 census gives his age as 6/12 (June or December 1850 ?).

On married to born in on
died in on

CHILDREN:

55. LEWIS H. GILMORE[55] - Gershom[27] - Ashbel[15] - James[9] - James[3] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, in 1841; died in 1905, age 64. Burial in the Old Settlement Cemetery, Chesterland, Ohio, with a granite tombstone on a lot by itself. He is shown in the 1850 census for Geauga County, Ohio as the son of Gershom and Lydia Gilmore, age 9, born in Ohio.

On married to Alice Foot, a dwarf, born in on died in on

CHILDREN:

36. DAVID S. GILMORE[36] - Silas T.[23] - Ashbel[15] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, on July 19, 1839; died in on ; The 1850 census for Geauga Co., Ohio, shows him as the son of Silas T. Gilmore, age 11, and born in Ohio.

On January 29, 1867, married to Mary C. Willson, daughter of General F. and Eliza (Henderson) Willson, born in on died in on

CHILDREN:

45. GEORGE S
B.
d.
m.
b.
d.

46. CHARLES K
b.
d.
m.
b.
d.

57. ELLER S. GILMORE[57] - Silas T.[23] - Ashbel[15] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, on 1847; died on 1922, age 75. The 1850 census for Geauga Co., Ohio, shows him as son of Silas T. Gilmore, age 3, and born in Ohio.

On married to Statira Amos, born in on
died in on

CHILDREN:

47. DR. CLIFFORD FREEMAN b.
d. March __, 1959
m. , Ouida _____
b.
d.
Children: Alice June, md. _____Mauthers;
Edna.
Lived in Chesterland, Ohio for many years, and later in Florida, then about 1957 in Falls Church, Va.

48. HANLEY M b. 1878
d. 1957, in Chardon, Ohio
m. , Minnie _____
b.
d.
Children: Marion (Mrs. Patterson)

38. JAMES MANDER GILMORE[38] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester Twp., Geauga Co., Ohio, in 1842; died of asthma on . The 1850 census gives age 8, born in Ohio.

On July 5, 1866, married Emelue Crary, of Kirtland, Lake County, Ohio, born on ; died on

It is said he had James A. Garfield (1831-1881) as his teacher at one time.(?)

CHILDREN:

49. WILLIAM EDGAR
b. Dec. 25, 1866, S. Kirtland, Lake Co., Ohio
d. Nov. __, 1942, Cleveland, Ohio, age 76
m. Feb. 2, 1889, Lillian Stewart
b. Dec. 14, 1870, Kirtland, Ohio
d. 1948 , age 78
Children: Laurence Edgar; Maude; Lila; Ernest Robert; Alfred William; Virginia Edith.
It is said she belonged to the Mormon Church in Kirtland.

50. GEORGE
b. May 10, 1868
d.
m. , Kate Chambers
b.
d.

DORA
b. Dec. 13, 1869 or 1870
d.
1st.m. , to _____ Cartwright
b.
d.
2nd.m. , to _____ Clark
b.
d.
Children: 1st m.: Edgar; Charley
2nd m.: None

51. DEWON
b. April 7, 1875
d.
m. , Viola Armstrong
b.
d.

James Lancer Gilmore[32] (cont)

CHILDREN:(cont.)

BELLE b. March 23, 1876
d.
m. , to Nelson Highelle (?)
b.
d.

DAISY b.
d.
m. , Richard Yaxley
b.
d.
No children.
Both were killed in a railroad crossing accident.

47. M. CLIFFORD GILMORE[47] - Seller[37] - Silas T.[23] - Mehbel[15] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Chester Twp., Geauga County, Ohio, on ; died in Virginia (?) on March __, 1959, burial in Chesterland, Geauga Co., Ohio, cemetery.

On , married to Ozida , born in on died in on

According to newspaper data, he was living in Falls Church, Va. in July 1957, and apparently died there.

CHILDREN:

ALICE JANE
b.
d.
m. , _____Lauthers
b.
d.
Children:

EDNA
b.
d.
m.
b.
d.
Children:
Still alive in March of 1959, and living in Cleveland, O., apparently not married.

48. MYRLE E. GILMORE[48] - Weller S.[37] - Silas T.[23] - Ashbel[15] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in , Geauga Co., Ohio, on 1878; died in Chardon, Ohio, in Lake County Memorial Hospital on July 31, 1957, age 79. Burial in the Chardon, Ohio, cemetery.

On married to Minnie , born in on died in on

He began as a lineman for the Chardon Telephone Company, then later became General Manager and President of the company. Prior to that he worked at the Chardon Municipal Light Plant. He retired in 1946, after 46 years with the Telephone Company.

At time of his death, was residing at 114 South St., Chardon, Geauga Co., Ohio.

His hobbies were baseball and music. He played in the Chardon famous Tube Band.

He was a member of the Chardon M.E. Church, Kiwanis Club, Knights of Pythias, Chamber of Commerce, Odd Fellows Lodge, and the Independent Telephone Assn. He lived in Chardon, Ohio, for 60 years.

CHILDREN:

MARION b.
d.
m. , _____Patterson
b.
d.
Children:

et al ?

49. WILLIAM EDGAR GILBERT[49] - James Manson[38] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in South Kirtland, Lake County, Ohio, on December 23, 1866; died in Cleveland, Ohio, on November __, 1942, age 76.

On Feb. 2, 1889, married Lillian Stewart, daughter of John and Alvina (Martin) Stewart, born in Kirtland, Ohio, on December 14, 1870, and died in Cleveland, Ohio, on June 19, 1948, age 78.

Her grandparents were William Henry Harrison Martin and Clarissa (Buton) Martin. Her family were Mormons, and went west with the Mormons, but she remained in Kirtland, Ohio, and married.

CHILDREN:

MAUD	b. Nov. 9, 1889, Willoughby, Lake Co., O.	
	d.	
	m.	, James Hemminger, of New London, Ohio
	b.	
	d.	
LILA	b. Feb. 9, 1891, Willoughby, Lake Co., O.	
	d.	
	m.	, Henry Hemminger, brother of James, above.
	b.	
	d.	
52. ERNEST ROBERT	b. Aug. 15, 1895, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co., O.	
	d.	
	m.	, Evelyn Farley, of Greenwich, Ohio
	b.	
	d.	
	Children:	
	In 1947 he lost a leg in a railroad accident, and in 1949 he won a $55,000 settlement from the B&O Ry.	
	In 1948 living in Garrett, Ind.	
53. LAURENCE EDGAR	b. Dec. 9, 1897, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co., O.	
	d.	
	m.	, Margaret Martha Repolus, of Cleveland, O.
	b.	
	d.	
	Children: Raymond; Ralph	

CHILDREN: (Cont.)

54. ALFRED WILLIAM, Sr. b. April 17, 1901, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co., O.
d.
1st.m.
b.
d.
2nd.m. , Ina _____, of Mansfield, O.
b.
d.
3rd.m. , Cleo Glass, _____, Fla.
b.
d.
No children first two marriages.
Child, 54 m.; Alfred William Gilmore, Jr.
Living in Mansfield, Ohio, for some years, then removed to San Francisco, Calif., and living there in 1948.

VIRGINIA EDITH b. April 17, 1909, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co., O.
d.
m. July 17, 1926, to Walton Williams
b. May 16, 1904
d.
Children: Richard Walton, b. June 4, 1927, in Huron Rd. Hospital, Cleveland, O. Ml. Ruth May Hartwig, b. Feb. __, 1926, in Cleveland, O. They have a son, Gregory Lawrence, b. in Cleveland, O. in Deaconess Hospital, on June 20, 1947. Richard graduated from the Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O. in June 1951 as an Architect Mary Louise, b. May 1, 1932, Cleveland, O., md. on to . Have a girl, Linda Kathleen Stout, b. Dec. 8, 1952.
Virginia became a member of the Western Reserve Chapter, DAR, in 1951, thru James Gilmore.

50. [illegible] GILMORE[50] - James Lancer[53] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in on May 10, 1868; died in on

On married to Kate Chambers, born in on
died in on

CHILDREN:

51. BYRON GILMORE[51] - James Lancer[38] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1].

Born in on April 7, 1875; died in on

On married to Viola Armstrong, born in on
died in on

CHILDREN:

52. ERNEST ROBERT ELLIOTT[52] - William Edgar[49] - James Farmer[38] - Robert[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co., Ohio, on August 15, 1895; died in on

On married to Evelyn Farley, of Greenwich, Ohio, born in on ; died in on

In 1947 he lost a leg in a railroad accident on the B&O Railroad, and in 1949 won a $55,000 settlement.

In 1948 living in Garrett, Ind.

CHILDREN:

59. LAURENCE EDGAR GILMORE[59] - William Edgar[49] - James Lancer[38] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[3] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co., Ohio, on December 9, 1897; died in on . He was a World War II veteran.

On married to Margaret Martha Repelus, of Cleveland, Ohio, born in on died in on

CHILDREN:

61. RAYMOND b.
d.
m.
b.
d.
In 1941 living in Calif.

62. RALPH b.
d.
m.
b.
d.
Children: Randolph; Gary Bruce
He was a player on the Bay Village, Ohio, basketball team in 1941 and was then 6ft 4in. tall.

54. ALFRED WILLIAM GILLORE, Sr.[54] - William Edgar[49] - James Lancor[33] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, on April 17, 1901; died in on

Married first, on to , born in on ; died in on No children.

Married second, on to Ina born in on ; died in on . She was from Mansfield, Ohio. No children.

Married third, on to Cleo Glass, of , Florida, born in on ; died in on

He lived in Mansfield, Ohio, for some years, then removed to San Francisco, Calif. and was living there in 1948.

CHILDREN: (3d m.)

64. ALFRED WILLIAM, Jr. b. Aug. 26, 1948, in Samuel Merritt Hospital, Oakland, Calif.
d.
m.
b.
d.

61. RAYMOND GILLORY[61] - Laurence Edgar[55] - William Edgar[49] - James Hancor[30] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in on ; died in on

On married to born in on
died in on

In 1943 living in California.

CHILDREN:

62. RALPH GILMORE[62] - Lawrence Edgar[53] - William Edgar[49] - James Hanover[38] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[6] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in on ; died in on

On , married to , born in on died in on

In 1941 he played on the Bay Village, Ohio, High School basket ball team, and was then 6 ft. 4 in. tall.

CHILDREN:

71. RANDOLPH b.
d.
m.
b.
d.

72. GARY BRUCE b.
d.
m.
b.
d.

64. ALFRED WILLIAM GILMORE, Jr.[64] - Alfred William, Sr.[54] - William Edgar[49] - James Lancer[38] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in the Samuel Merritt Hospital in Oakland, California, on August 26, 1948; died in on

On married to born in on died in on

CHILDREN:

71. RANDOLPH GILMORE[71] - Ralph[62] - Laurence Edgar[55] - William Edgar[49] - James Lancer[3]
Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in on ; died in on
He is of the 11th generation in America.

On married to born in on
died in on

CHILDREN:

72. GARY BRUCE GILMORE[72] - Ralph[62] - Laurence Edgar[35] - William Edgar[19] - James Hancer[38] - Reuben[30] - James[17] - James[9] - James[8] - William[2] - Robert[1]

Born in on ; died in on
He is of the 11th generation in America.

On married to born in
on ; died in on

CHILDREN:

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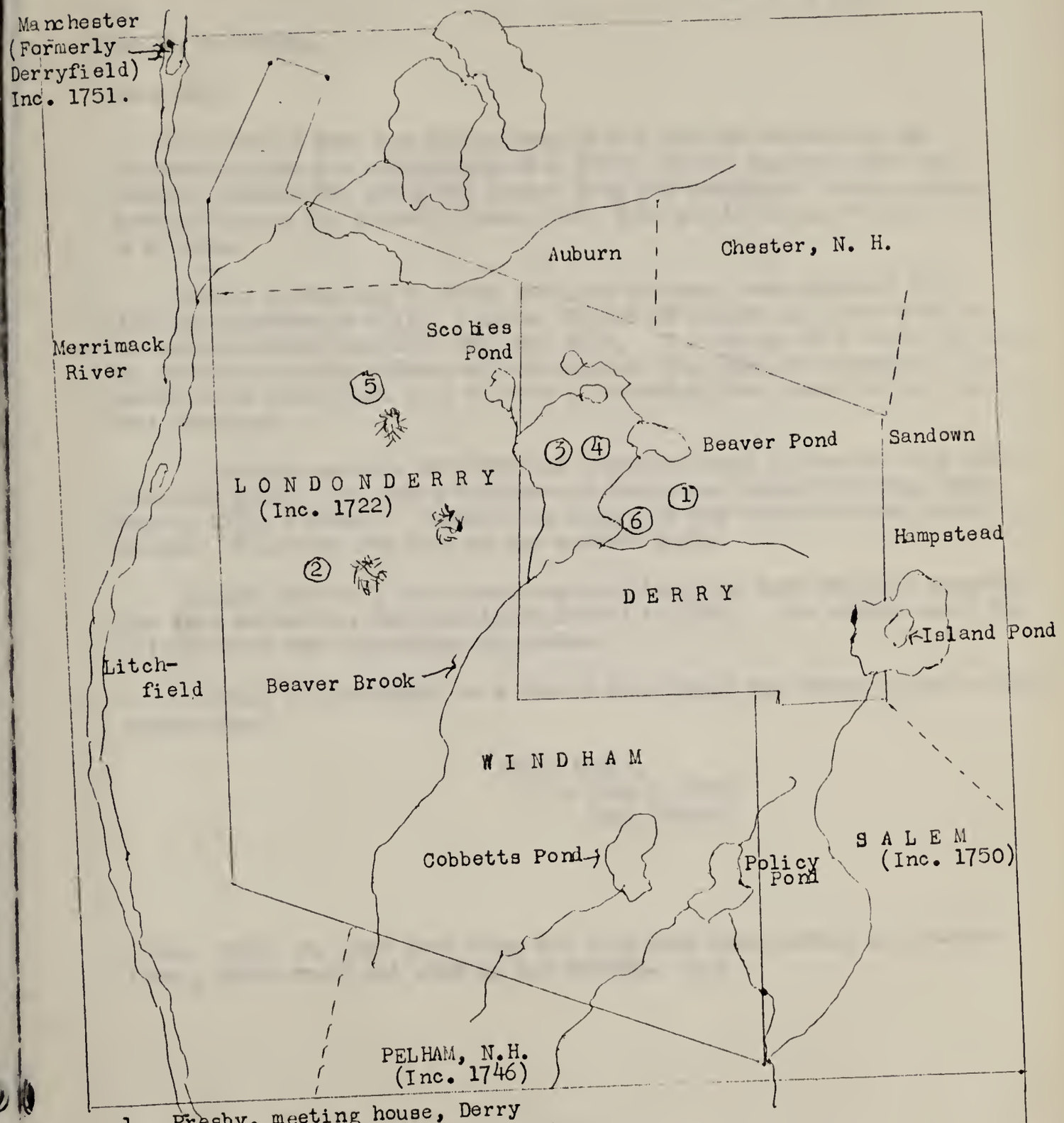
OLD TOWNSHIP OF LONDONDERRY,
N.H.



1. Presby. meeting house, Derry
2. " " " Londonderry
3. Cong. " " , Derry
4. M .E. " " , "
5. Site of Hill Graveyard & Meeting House.
6. 1st Settlers "Common Field".

"Pelham, N.H.,
August 5, 1938

Mr. C. C. Hazel.

Dear Sir:

Have looked over the old records of the town of Pelham for the Gilmores. Find the publication of a JAMES GILMORE and MARY CROW in Pelham, October 15, 1749, but do not find the marriage. A son, James, born to Thomas and Hannah Gilmore, born June 15, 1741, one of six children.

Another James, son of James and Mary Gilmore, born November 14, 1752 (8 children in all). A James Gilmore of Dracut and Mary Tyman of Pelham, lawfully published Oct. 20, 1766. A marriage of a James Gilmore of Dracut and Molly Wilson, of Pelham, Oct. 30, 1766, is recorded. It seems to me there must be a mistake in recording the above publishment and marriage.

A publishment of a JOHN CROW of Salem and Anna Gilmore of this town Dec. 26, 1757. Anna was a daughter of Thomas and Hannah Gilmore, born May 1, 1737, I think. There is no record of the deaths on the Pelham records of persons who died in the earlier days.

Do not know as I have found anything that you wish for your records. The town of Pelham, N.H. was incorporated in 1746. The county seats for Hillsborough are Manchester and Nashua.

I think I am entitled to a fee of one dollar for searching and copying names, etc.

Yours truly,
S/d. GEO. B. WOOD
Town Clerk."

NOTE: Wrote Mr. Wood that James and Mary Crow were married in Methuen, Mass., which would not show on his records. CCH

Extracts from: Pioneer and General History of Geauga County (Ohio), With Sketches of Some of the Pioneers and Prominent Men. (1880) (Copy in the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.)

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In the autumn of 1811, Ashbell Gilmore came from the town of Chester, Mass. to Chester, Geauga County, Ohio, with his family, consisting of wife and three children, and erected a cabin about half a mile southeast of the center of Chester (now Chesterland). About two weeks later, James Gilmore, Jr., a brother of Ashbel, arrived, unmarried. The next year (1812) Mr. James Gilmore, Sr., father of Ashbel and James, arrived with a family of five children, and built a log house half a mile east of the center of the township, and subsequently he built the first frame house in the township near where the townhall is now situated.

On Nov. 16, 1816 was held the first town meeting subsequent to the incorporation of the township:

James Gilmore was appointed one of two Overseers of the Poor, and James Gilmore, Supervisor, Ashbel Gilmore, Treasurer.

In the year 1828, April 7, a meeting of electors was held to consider purchasing a burial ground, and James Gilmore, Jr., was one of five on this committee. Mr. James Gilmore offered an acre of ground for $15, but the township could not afford it, so the Presbyterian Society bot the acre. The cemetery is in the SE part of the town and is the oldest.

The first jurymen selected from Chester were James Gilmore, et al, in 1818 (one of four).

Justice of Peace - - Silas T. Gilmore, elected in 1851, and served two years.

Treasurers, . . . Ashbel Gilmore, elected in 1816, and served one year; James Gilmore, elected in 1818, and 1820, and served two years."

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From: Tombstone Records in the Old Settlement Cemetery, Chesterland (formerly Chester), Geauga County, Ohio. Obtained in June 1938

Burials	Explanatory notes
James Gillmore d. Jan. 30, 1829 age 75	This is a small slate slab. He was a Private in the Rev. War and progenitor of the Gilmores of Geauga County, O. The age given is wrong. He was born in Pelham, N. H. on Nov. 14, 1752, son of James and Mary (Crow) Gilmore, according to the Vital Records of Pelham, N. H. His brother, Edmund Gilmore, was progenitor of the Gilmores from Lorain, Ohio.
Nancy, wife of James Gilmore, d. Nov. 10, 1833, age 77	This is on a slate slab.
Ashbel Gilmore d. Aug. 23, 1860, age 73.	This is a marble slab. Age given is wrong. According to Vital Statistics of Chester, Mass., where he was born, date of birth is given as Sept. 22, 1785
Nancy, wife of A. Gilmore d. Jan. 27, 1826, age 57 yrs.	On a marble slab.
Silas T. Gilmore Aug. 4, 1814 May 14, 1898 Lois Nichols, his wife, June 17, 1813 April 25, 1899	Victoria L. June 2, 1851 Jan. 11, 1860 Albert June 2, 1851 June 19, 1851 All four on a dark granite stone.
Gersham Gillmore 1813 - 1888	On a small, cylindrical granite stone
Lydia Gillmore 1814 - 1888	On a small, cylindrical granite stone
Lewis H. Gillmore 1841 - 1905	Granite stone on lot by itself
In memory of Samatha, wife of Reuben Gillmore who died Nov. 4, 1824, age 22 years	This is a small, old slate stone

COPY OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM GILLMORE OF LONDONDERRY, N.H.

"In the name of God Amen this Eleventh day ofmay in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and fifty three I william Gilmor of Londonderry in the province of newhampshire yeoman being sick of body - -

2ly my will is that my well beloved wiff Elesabath Gilmor have the proffits of my real Estoate and the use of my personal Estoate during her natural Liff.

3ly my will is that my two sons James Gillmor & John Gilmor have all my real estoate affter my wiff's desease in Equal shaire first in three years after my desease twenty five pounds to each of my two daughters mary Gilmor and Jennet Gilmor to be payed out of my real Estoate and in Case that any of my two sons should die before they Come to Lawful age then the surveving to hav the whol of myreal Estoate Excepting what I give to my two daughters befor mentioned with all the Improvements on the same to them and to there haire or assigns forever.

4ly my will is that my two daughters mary andJennet Gillmor befor mentioned have out of my real Estoate each of them twenty five pounds as above and a Cow to each of them and to be mentoned as formely in my hous for three years affter my death and in Case that any of them should die befor they Come to Lawful age then the survever to have the others pairt.

5ly my will is that my son Joseph Caldwal and my daughter Anne Caldwal to have teen pounds old tenor out of my Estoate inthree years after my death

6ly my will is that my Gransen William Caldwall have out of my Estoate when he aravis at the age of fourteen years seven pounds teen shillings and I bind my real Estoate to all the above bequithments to my two daughters Mary Gilmor and Jennet Gilmor and to my son Joseph Caldwal and Anne Caldwal and to my Gransen william Caldwal

7ly my will is and I give and bequith to my two sons James Gillmor and John Gillmor befor mentioned all the remaining part of my personal Estoate aftir my wiff's desease

and I appoint and ordain my good frinds Robert Gilmor and John Gilmor to be my Executors of this my last will and testment and in Case of any of them should die then my Cosson Jonathan Gillmor to be one of my Executors in place of the deseased revocking all other wills bequithments testaments made by me allowing this and no other to be my last will and testment.

WILLIAM GILLMORE

(Witnesses) Arthur Archibald, Robert Archibald, James Gillmore.
(Proved Sept. 23, 1753)
(Warrant, July 12, 1753, authorising Alexander Rankin and John Hunter, both of Londonderry, yeomen, to appraise th estate.)
(Inventory, Sept. 24, 1753; amount, 2299 pounds 10 s. 0 p.; signed by Alexander Rankin and John Hunter.)

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Tombstone Records in Forest Hill Cemetery, East Derry, New Hampshire.

GILLMORE

John, died Dec. 26, 1754
as 9 yrs.

William (son of Robert Gillmore)
d. Feb. 18, 1831, age 79 yrs.

William (son of John Gillmore)
d. March 8, 1747, as 26 yrs.

William, died May 9, 1755, as 68

James (illegible)

Robert, died Sept. 5, 1782, as 85 yrs

Elizabeth, d. Sept. 1, 1735, as 70

Mrs. Ann (wife of James Gilmore)
d. Sept. 24, 1755, as 22 yrs.*

Martha (Gilmore) Dorr
d. March 18, 1833, as 79 yrs. 10 mos.

* She was a daughter of Jesse and Mary Cristy.

From: Gravestone Inscriptions Gathered by Old Burial Grounds Committee of the National Socity of Colonial Dames of America, in the State of New Hampshire. Compiled by Mrs. Josiah Carpenter.

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Derry Cemetery, N.H.

Mr. Robert Gilmore put on immortality Sept. 3, 1782 after 82 years of mortal life.

The Old Burying Ground, Bedford, N.H.

Gilmor, Elder Robert
d. April 14, 1778 in the 68 year of his age.

Gilmor, Margaret, wife of Elder Robert. (No dates shown)

In Forest Hill Cemetery, Derry, N.H.

Gilmor, William
d. May ye 9th, 1753, a. 67

Gilmor, William
d. Mch. ye 7th, 1747, ae 26

Gilmore:
"In memory of Mrs. Elizabeth, wife of Robert, who died Sept. 1783, aet 70
Mr. William Gilmore, died Feb. 18, 1831, aet 79
} On same stone.

Gilmore, Ann, wife of Mr. James, d. Sept. 29, 1755, a. 21

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From: Vital Records of Londonderry, N. H. By Daniel Cage Annis 1914.

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Births:

Gillmore: (Jonathan and Elizabeth)
James, Jan. 23, 1758
Ernst, Nov. 11, 1759
David, Aug. 10, 1761
Elisabeth, Oct. 8, 1763
Robert, March 3, 1765
Ann, Feb. 11, 1767
Mary Ann, May 28, 1769
William, April 8, 1771

Gilmor: (Robert a d Elisabeth)
John, May 3, 1737
Rodger, July 31, 1739
Moreom, Sept. 27, 1742
Jamima, Feb. 3, 1744
Robert, July 4, 1749
William, Nov. 22, 1751

Gilmore: (James and Jean)
Joan, Dec. 27, 1721
Margaret, Apr. 24, 1724
John, Aug. 26, 1726
Jonathan, Mar. 11, 1728/9
Elisabeth, March 12, 1730/31

Gilmore: (William and Elisabeth)
William, Oct. 1, 1721
Robert, May 23, 1724
Jean, July 23, 1726
James, Aug. 10, 1728
Mary, Jan. 8, 1730-31

Gilmore: (Robert and Ann)
James, Sept. 20, 1731
Elisabeth, May 1, 1733

Marriages:

Gilmore:
Mary Ann and John Bell, Dec. 21, 1758 (A lady of much personal beauty, great prudence, and good sense.)

Deaths:

Gilmore
None rec orded.

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SOME GILMORE VITAL STATISTICS FROM THE TOWN CLERK OF
PELHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Town records		Comments by Mr. C. C. Hamel
Child's name:	James Gilmore	This is the father of the James Gilmore, Rev. War soldier, who settled in Geauga Co., Ohio. He was also a Rev. War soldier.
Date of birth:	Aug. 10, 1723	
Place:	Londonderry, N.H.	
Sex:	Male	
Color:	W.	
Father:	William Gilmore	
Father's residence:	Londonderry, NH	
Mother's name:	Elizabeth	
Town reporting:	Londonderry, N.H.	See Londonderry V.R.
Name:	James Gilmore	
Date of Birth:	Sept. 20, 1751	Cousin of above.
Place of birth:	Londonderry, NH	
Sex:	M.	
Color:	W.	
Father:	Robert Gilmore	
Father's residence.	Londonderry	
Mother's name:	Ann	
Town reporting:	Londonderry, NH	
Child's name:	James Gillmore	
Date of birth:	June 15, 1741	Cousin of above
Place:	-	
Sex:	M.	
Father:	Thomas Gillmore	
Mother:	Hannah	
Town reporting:	Pelham, N.H.	
Child's name:	William Gillmore	
Date of birth:	Nov. 14, 1750	
Place of birth:	-	
Sex:	M	
Father:	James Gillmore	Cousin of above
Mother:	Mary	
Town reporting:	Pelham, N.H.	
He died Sept. 20, 1755, age two.		
Child's name:	James Gillmore	
Date of birth:	Nov. 14, 1752	
Sex:	M	He was the progenitor of the Geauga Co., Ohio, line of Gilmores. Also was a Rev. War soldier.
Father:	James Gillmore	
Mother:	Mary	
Town reporting:	Pelham, N.H.	

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Child's name:	Mary Gillmore	
Sex:	F	
Date of birth:	July 19, 1755	Sister to the above
Father:	James Gillmore	
Mother:	Mary	
Town reporting:	Pelham, N.H.	
Child's name:	William Gillmore	
Date of birth:	April 5, 1758	
Sex:	M	
Father:	James Gillmore	Brother to above
Mother:	Mary	
Town reporting:	Pelham, N.H.	
Child's name:	Elizabeth Gillmore	
Date of birth:	May 26, 1760	
Sex:	F	
Father:	James Gillmore	Sister to above
Mother:	Mary	
Town reporting:	Pelham, N.H.	
Child's name:	Thomas Gillmore	
Date of birth:	Feb. 23, 1763	
Sex:	M	Brother to above
Father:	James Gillmore	
Mother:	Mary	
Town reporting:	Pelham, N.H.	
Child's name:	Edmund Gillmore	The greatgreat grandfatherof Mr. C. C. Hamel, Elyria, Ohio.
Date of birth:	Sept. 23, 1765	
Sex:	M	The given name of Edmund now appears in the Gilmore lines for first time, and continued in his line only, as shown in over 500 individual records in possession of Mr. Hamel. The record on his tombstone in Amherst, Ohio is wrong as it states he died in 1846 age 83. Date of death OK but age should be 81.
Father:	James Gillmore	
Mother:	Mary	
Town reporting:	Pelham, N.H.	

MARRIAGES

Groom:	James Gilmore	
Bride:	Molly Wilson	
Res. of groom:	Dracut	This is a different line of Gilmores. Cousins, perhaps.
Res. of bride:	Pelham	
By whom married:	Amos Moody	
Residence:	Pelham	
Official station:	Clergyman	
Date marriage:	Oct. 30, 1766	
Reptd from:	Pelham, N.H.	
Groom:	Moses Christie	
Bride:	Mary Gilmore	This is anot er line of Gilmores.
Res. groom:	New Boston	
Res. bride	Pelham, NH	
by whom married:	John H. Church	
Official station:	Clergyman	
Date marriage:	Oct. 25, 1827	
reptd from:	Pelham, NH	

Extracts from: VITAL RECORDS OF METHUEN, MASS.

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Marriages:
CROM:

Mary and James Gilmore, of Pelham (NH) Dec. 26, 1749
Elizabeth and John Collins, of Dunstable, Jan. 16, 1749
Isabel and Robert Linsey, Nov. 17, 1742
Jane and Nathaniel Pettengill, Jr. (Int.) Dec. 18, 1762

Births:
CROM:

Admond (Edmund in 1st Cong. Church Records), son of John and Mary, b. Dec. 22, 1751

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Extracts from: History of the Connecticut Valley In Massachusetts. (1879)

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VOLUME I:
History of Hampshire Co.:
Huntington:

Belongs to the southern tier of towns in Hampshire County. It is bounded north by Chesterfield; east by Westhampton, Southampton, and Hampden County; south by Hampden County; west by Hampden County and Worthington.

The town of Norwich was part of Murrayfield, and the title to the soil is derived direct from the Province of Massachusetts Bay, the township being No. 9, of the series sold by order of the General Court, June 2, 1762.

It is not easy to decide either the exact date of the first settlement or the order in which the first settlers came in. There seems to have been quite a group of families from Norwich, Conn. The old town records of births assists only in a few instances, for generally the place of birth is omitted. In the oldest town records the assessment roll of 1775 is preserved and it determines who was there at that date. On this list is James Gilmore. The list shows there were 46 owners of real estate in 1775, six other persons having some estate, and ten with neither real nor personal estate.

JAMES GILMORE, from New Hampshire. His name is in the Murrayfield assessment roll for April 19, 1768, showing him to have been an early settler; homestead a mile above Huntington Village, buildings gone. Three sons went to Geauga County, Ohio, about 1811 - James, Edmund, and William. They went out with ox teams. There was a large gathering to see the colony start. General Fillmore, of the Army, was from this family. . . . .

Huntington was formerly Chester Village. Annexed to Norwich in 1855. Originally known as Falley's X-Roads. It was the old stage coach route - Boston and Albany via Springfield. It is very nearly at the intersection of the lines of four towns, Montgomery, Blandford, Chester, and Norwich.

After the reconstruction of 1853-55, the name Chester Village was changed to Huntington to correspond to that of the town, while the village west became simply Chester.

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Extract From: Vital Records of Chester, Mass., to the Year 1850. (1911)

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The town of Chester, Hampden County, was formerly called Murrayfield, which as a plantation, was established as a town on October 31, 1765.

Feb. 21, 1785, the name was changed from Murrayfield to Chester.

Feb. 22, 1809, and June 15, 1810, bounds between Chester and Blandford were established.

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Births:

Gilmore: (James and Nancy)

Asa, Feb. 12, 1788
Ashbell, Sept. 22, 1785
James, Jr., March 19, 1790
Mary, Nov. 21, 1773
Nancy, Feb. 9, 1794
Patty, May 6, 1800
Reuben, ____ 29, 1796
Samuel, July 17, 1785
Silas, Sept. 29, 1774
Susanna, Apr. 18, 1781

Marriages:

Gilmore:

Ashbel and Nancy Wright, int., Dec. 11, 1808
Darius of Becket, and Sally Harris, int., Oct. 11, 1827
Mary, Mrs., and Solomon Stewart, of Blandford, int., March 5, 1804
Nancy and Silas Tanner, Int., Feb. 24, 1798
Susanna and Charles Lee, int., June 29, 1801

Gilmore:

Huldah and William Gould of Russell, int., Sept. 22, 1798
Silas and Sally Cannon, of Blandford, int., Feb. 18, 1799

Deaths:

Gilmore:

[illegible], young child of Edmund, about "the middle of" Sept. 1862
(Gravestone record, Chester Center Cemetery.)

Unidentified:

Gilmore, _____, _____, grandchild of James Gilmore, Nov. "first week," 1801
(Gravestone record, Chester Center Cemetery.)

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Extracts from: Vital Records of Blandford, Mass.

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Births:
Gilmore (To Thomas and Nancy)

Harriet, May 15, 1793
Durius, June 26, 1800
Alma, April 2, 1802
Giles D., in Becket, May 4, 1804

Marriage Bans:
Gilmore:

Edmund and Elizabeth Stewart, Jan. 4, 1739
James of Blandford, and Mary Murroy of Northampton, Nov. 23, 1776
Martha and James Bolton, both of Blandford, April 22, 1792
Widow Mary, of Chester, and Solomon Stewart, of Blandford, Feb. 1804
Silas of Chester and Sally Cannon of Blandford, Feb. 1799 (another date given March 1799)
William, of Norwich, and Jerusha Stewart, of Blandford, April 22, 1730

Marriages:
Gilmore:

Elizebeth to Nathan Cannon, both of Blandford, April 5, 1735

Deaths:
Gilmore:

Alma, dau. of Thomas and Nancy, Dec. 4, 1803

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Extract from: The Official Roster of the Soldiers of the American Revolution Buried In The State of Ohio. Compiled by Frank D. Henderson, The Adjutant General.

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GILMORE, James (Geauga County):
Pvt., Lt. Joshiah Wilson's Co., Col. Porter's (Hampshire Co.) Rgt., enlisted Sept. 25, 1777; discharged Oct. 17, 1777; service one month two days; travel included.
Company marched northward to reinforce army under Major General Gates.
Born 1754 or 1752, Pelham, N.H.
Parents: James and Mary. Married Nancy ____. Children: Silas, Molly, Susannah, Ashbel, Asa, James, Jr., Nancy, Reuben, all born in Chester, Mass. Died Chester, Geauga County, Ohio. Buried Old Settlement Cemetery. Monument inscription: "James Gilmore, died Aug. 25, 1829, age 75. Nancy his wife, died Nov. 10, 1835, age 77. Grave marked by family. Came to Geauga County in 1812. Ref. Vital Records, Chester, Mass., Gilmore, General Pioneer; History of Geauga County. Probate Record, Geauga County. History Women of Western Reserve. Mass. Soldiers and Sailors.

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NOTES: By O. C. Hamel
The Vital Records of Pelham, N.H. show above James Gilmore was born there in 1752. His father, James Gilmore, was also a Rev. War soldier, so the Geauga County, Ohio, line has two Rev. War references.
All males of the blood of Gilmore can obtain membership in the Sons ofthe American Revolution and all females of Gilmore blood line are eligible for the Daughters of the American Revolution Society.

Extract from: History of Lorain County, Ohio. (1879)

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". . . Next in order is Edmund Gilmore, who came to Black River from Chester, Hampshire County, Mass. in 1811. He was accompanied by his son Aretus, and a nephew, Ashbel Gilmore, and his family. He selected a location on Lot 22, erected a house, and leaving Aretus in charge, returned to Massachusetts for the residue of his family, with whom he arrived in June of the following year.

Ashbel Gilmore, not liking the level, wet lands of Black River, had been conveyed by his uncle to the hills of Geauga County, where he found in the township of Chester, in that county, a location more to his liking.

Quartus Gilmore, another son of Edmund, with a cousin (brother of Ashbel) preceded the family, making the entire journey on foot, the latter joining his brother in Geauga County. . . ."

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NOTE: Chester, Mass. was in Hampden County instead of Hampshire County, as stated in second line above.

"FRANK O. ROOT
COURT REPORTER
Chardon, Ohio.

Nov. 1, 1954

Mr. Claude C. Hamel
200 N. Martin Ave.,
Amherst, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Your letter addressed to the Probate Court has been turned over to me to answer, as they do not have the time or help to take care of these inquiries and I am very familiar with all our old records, having lived here for many, many years and have done considerable genealogical work.

The will of JAMES GILMORE, who died in Chester in 1829, is of record in Probate Record "A", page 393. He mentions his daughters Polly Tanner, Susannah Lee, and Nancy Norton; he also mentions his sons Samuel Gilmore, Ashbel Gilmore, James Gilmore, Asa Gilmore and Reuben Gilmore. The name "Gilmore" is spelled with one "l", while he signs his will "James Gillmore". This will is dated May 17, 1821.

The will of JAMES GILLMORE, evidently his son, dated Sept. 27, 1855, and filed Oct. 29, 1868, is of record in Wills "A", page 533. He mentions his wife Temperance, and four daughters, viz: "myoldest daughter Patty Tiffany; second oldest daughter Jane Shaw; third oldest daughter Cornelia Burnett, and youngest daughter Aurelia Gilmore." He also mentions his "youngest son Duane" and oldest son Reuben H. Gillmore."

If you wish copies of these wills, I will make them foryou, and if you wish other records searched, I will be glad to do what I can for you. Two Gillmores in Chester, and also here in Chardon, might help you, although I had occasion to contact them a short time ago when going through some property in Chester, and they knew very little about their family. I think that Duane Gillmore's adopted daughter is living in Middlefield, this County. Whether she would be of any help, I cannot say. I know her very well.

I await your reply.

Very truly yours,
Sgd. FRANK O. ROOT"

"Cleveland Heights 6, O.
22 December 1958

Mr. Claude C. Hamel
121 Elma Drive
Elyria, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Hamel:

Your letter of the tenth of December has been received and read with interest, and I am sorry to have been so lazy in answering it.

First of all, my grandmother's maiden name was GILMORE. I really do not know how the name on the tombstone was misspelled - but the stones were originally marked "Father" and "Mother". I faintly recall that when I was a child my uncle by his first marriage, Davis Faxon of Elyria, asked the family's permission to change the stones - and I recall my mother's disappointment when she found the name spelled with two "ls".

I believe I shall be slow to help you out with some of the missing dates, etcetera for I am sure there is a family Bible out at my cousin Ed Mastick's (in the country). The next time I go out there (it may be some little time), I'll copy whatever I find, and send it to you. My cousin is quite elderly and inclined to be a bit forgetful, so I believe it would not be helpful for you to contact him directly.

My grandmother, Harmony Gilmore Briggs, had two children beside the ones you mentioned. One was Rufus who passed on when a small boy; and another, Jeanette, who passed on when a young lady. She was unmarried.

I remember as a child attending the Scott-Gilmore reunions at the Masonic Temple on East 105th St. here in Cleveland, with my mother and her sisters.

My mother was the youngest of grandmother's children, and her name was "Katherine" but nicknamed "Kate".

I trust I may be ofsome assistance when I next go out to my cousins - Edw Mastick, who is the son of Mary Harmony - mother's eldest sister.

I am wondering if Scott Gilmore still lives in Elyria? How interesting that the article about grandfather fell into your hands! I have the genealogy of the Briggs family, and whenthe one of the Gilmores is completed, I would so appreciate ordering one.

With every good wish for Christmas and the New Year,

Sincerely,
Sgd. WINIFRED LOWE MINER "